

REMARKS/ARGUMENTS

Claims 1-6, 8-13, 15 and 17-22 are pending in the captioned application. Claims 1-6 and 8-10 have been allowed while claims 11-13, 15 and 17-22 are finally rejected.

In an effort to expedite prosecution, Applicants hereby cancel claims 11-13, 15 and 17-22. Applicants reserve the right to prosecute these claims in one or more continuation applications.

Applicants respectfully request a notice of allowance for claims 1-6 and 8-10.

Early and favorable consideration is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,

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